ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An durable illuminant with simple structure and stable discharge characteristics is provided. Discharge electrodes 14 and 15 fixed to respective sealing spacers 16 and 17 are inserted into a housing 13 from both ends, the housing constructed from a cylindrical glass material with equal inner radii at both open ends. A discharge chamber 18 is filled with a discharge gas and the sealing spacers 16 and 17 are fused and fixed to the housing 13 at this condition.